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Cuyahoga Valley National Park News Release

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Sixteen Miles of the Towpath Trail Reopened

Friday, August 8, 2003 -Brecksville, Ohio - The Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail has reopened from Lock 39 Trailhead at Rockside Road south to Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center on Bolanz Road. The remaining three and a half miles of the multi-use trail will remain closed until further notice.

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad excursions will resume on Saturday, August 9, 2003, from Rockside Road to Peninsula. For more information, call (800) 468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.

Park officials request that visitors respect the closures of facilities, roads, and trails due to washed out bridges and safety concerns related to erosion, causing sections of the trails to be undercut or removed.

The following hiking trails are closed until further notice:

- Lake Trail and all access to Virginia Kendall Lake
- Cross Country Trail
- Salt Run Trail
- Haskell Run Trail
- Boston Run Trail
- Furnace Run Trail
- Plateau Trail

The following bridle trails are closed until further notice:

- Wetmore Trail
- Dickerson Run Trail
- Tabletop Trail
- Langes Run Trail
- Butler Trail
- Valley Trail
- Perkins Trail

The following building is closed until further notice:

Kendall Lake Shelter

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The following roads are closed until further notice:

- Truxell Road between the Virginia Kendall maintenance area and Akron-Peninsula Road.
 Visitors can access park facilities and the trail system along Truxell Road from Akron-Cleveland Road to the east. Ledges and Octagon Shelters are open.
- Northampton Road at Akron-Peninsula Road.

The following programs locations are changed or cancelled:

Sunday, August 10
 Dedicated Hiker Series Hike is cancelled.

For the most current information on the flood damage, call (216) 524-1497 or visit www.nps.gov/cuva/flooddamage.htm.

For more information on how to help the park, contact the park's non-profit partner, Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association, at (330) 657-2909 or info@cvnpa.org.

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